

**FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PHILADELPHIA COUNTY
TRIAL DIVISION**

**Administrative Order
10 of 2025**

In re: Stay of Post-Conviction Litigation for PA Office of Attorney General

ORDER

WHEREFORE, the Court having been made aware of a network outage at the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General via the attached letter (attached as an Exhibit to this Order), resulting in an inability to access any litigation data, which prevents their attorneys from contacting witnesses, timely responding to pleadings, conducting discovery, or otherwise proceeding with litigation;

AND, WHEREFORE, the Court having been made further aware that the Attorney General is unable to proceed with criminal matters filed under the Pennsylvania Post Conviction Relief Act ("PCRA"), 42 Pa.C.S. §9541 *et seq.*, it is hereby ORDERED and DECREED that all PCRA cases in which an attorney from the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General has entered his or her appearance be stayed for at least 30 days.

It is further ORDERED and DECREED that the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General provide the Court with a list of their attorneys who have entered their appearance in an active PCRA matter in Philadelphia along with their Pennsylvania Bar ID numbers.

It is further ORDERED and DECREED that as to any new cases to which this Stay applies while this Stay is in effect, the entry of appearance by the attorney on behalf of the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General must be accompanied by a Praeceptum to Stay the Action, together with a copy of this Order.

It is further ORDERED that the Stay shall remain in effect until September 21, 2025 unless the Office of Attorney General notifies the Court before September 21, 2025 that its network has been restored. It is further provided, however, that the Stay may be extended upon the filing of a motion to extend the Stay and following a hearing. Any motion to extend the Stay shall be filed at least five (5) days prior to the end of the Stay.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Daniel J. Anders

DANIEL J. ANDERS,
Administrative Judge, Court of Common Pleas
Trial Division, First Judicial District of Pennsylvania
Dated: August 21, 2025



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Honorable Daniel J. Anders
Administrative Judge
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Re: Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General network outage

Dear Judge Anders,

The computer network that hosts the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General's systems has been down since August 11, 2025. Office of Attorney General staff are unable to access any litigation data, which prevents our attorneys from contacting witnesses, timely responding to pleadings, conducting discovery, or otherwise proceeding with litigation. IT staff are working diligently to identify and resolve the problem, but we are unable to access our computer systems for the foreseeable future. Since the Office of Attorney General's website is down, information on the ongoing situation is available on our social media: <https://x.com/PAAttorneyGen>.

In the interest of safeguarding the rights of the parties in all litigation pending in the Court of Common Pleas – Trial Division, I respectfully request that all cases in which an attorney from the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General has entered his or her appearance be stayed and placed into deferred status for at least 30 days, unless the Office of Attorney General notifies the Court sooner that its network has been restored.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

/s/ Cara B. Greenhall

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